

1. (Amended) A developer supply container detachably mountable to an image forming apparatus, comprising:

a developer accommodating portion;

a developer discharging portion having a hole through which a developer passes and a shutter for closing and opening the hole; and

a cover covering said developer discharging portion, said cover being movable between a first position in which said cover covers said developer discharging portion and a second position in which said developer discharging portion is exposed,

wherein said second position is closer to said developer accommodating portion than said first position.

2. A container according to Claim 1, further comprising a rail for guiding movement of said cover, said rail including a first guiding portion for guiding said cover to move in parallel with said developer accommodating portion and a second guiding portion for guiding said cover toward said developer accommodating portion.

3. A container according to Claim 1, further comprising urging means for urging said cover to the first position when said container is out of said apparatus.

4. (Amended) A container according to Claim 1, further comprising a tape which seals the hole when said container has not been used, wherein said tape has one end fixed to said cover, and wherein said tape is peeled off when said cover is first moved from the first position to the second position.

Claim 5 has been cancelled.

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6. (Amended) An image forming apparatus comprising:
an image bearing member;
developing means for developing a latent image formed on said image bearing member; and
developer supply container detachably mountable to a main assembly of said image forming apparatus, said container including;
a developer accommodating portion;
a developer discharging portion having a hole through which a developer passes and a shutter for closing and opening the hole; and
a cover covering said developer discharging portion, said cover being movable between a first position in which said cover covers said developer discharging portion and a second position in which said developer discharging portion is exposed, wherein said second position is closer to said developer accommodating portion than said first position.

7. An apparatus according to Claim 6, further comprising a rail for guiding movement of said cover, said rail including a first guiding portion for guiding said cover to move in parallel with said developer accommodating portion and a second guiding portion for guiding said cover toward said developer accommodating portion.

8. (Amended) An apparatus according to Claim 6, further comprising a projection for being abutted by said cover, wherein when said container is mounted to the main assembly of said apparatus, said cover abuts said projection so that movement of said cover is regulated, and wherein said cover moves from the first position to the second position with a mounting action of said container to the main assembly of said apparatus.

9. (Amended) An apparatus according to Claim 6, further comprising a tape which seals the hole when said container has not been used, wherein said tape has one end fixed to said cover, and wherein said tape is peeled off when said cover is first moved from the first position to the second position.

10. (Amended) An apparatus according to Claim 6, wherein at least said developing means is detachably mountable to the main assembly of said apparatus, and wherein said shutter is movable in response to a relative movement between said container and said developing means.

Claim 11 has been cancelled.

--12. (New) An apparatus according to Claim 10, wherein said image bearing member is detachably mountable to the main assembly of said apparatus together with said developing means.--